

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023
FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

[HB 1.](#)

By Representatives Kendrick of the 95th, Clark of the 108th, Scott of the 76th, Davis of the 87th, Cannon of the 58th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to provide for the compensation of pregnant women who but for a fetal heartbeat law could choose to terminate the pregnancy but are compelled to carry the pregnancy to term and give birth to a child; to specify the type and duration of compensation; to provide for procedures and requirements to obtain compensation; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[HB 13.](#)

By Representatives Mitchell of the 88th and Hugley of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the issuance, expiration, and renewal of licenses, so as to provide for an optional space for indicating the blood type of the licensee; to provide for immunity from liability for injury caused by an error in the blood type indicated on a driver's license; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on MOTOR VEHICLES

[HB 14.](#)

By Representative Kendrick of the 95th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits relative to income taxes, so as to provide for a tax credit for employers that employ certified workforce-ready graduates; to require the Department of Labor to establish criteria; to provide for conditions and limitations; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 15.](#)

By Representative Kendrick of the 95th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 40 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to promotion and deployment of broadband services, so as to provide for the duties, membership, chairperson, meetings, reports, and reimbursement of a task force to be established to evaluate and monitor the broadband equity of state-funded broadband network projects; to require state agencies to cooperate with and provide certain information to the task force; to provide for the Georgia Technology Authority to promulgate certain policies concerning such task force; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TECHNOLOGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE
INNOVATION

[HB 16.](#)

By Representatives Thomas of the 65th, McClain of the 109th, Lim of the 98th, and Holly of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to labor and industrial relations, so as to extend the sunset provision relating to the use of sick leave for the care of immediate family members; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INDUSTRY AND LABOR

[HB 17.](#)

By Representatives Powell of the 33rd, Leverett of the 123rd, DeLoach of the 167th, Smith of the 18th, Jasperse of the 11th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for the sealing of ballots in secure containers; to provide for chain of custody documentation and procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 18.](#)

By Representatives Burns of the 159th, Jones of the 47th, Efstration of the 104th, and Hatchett of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 865, approved May 12, 2022 (Ga. L. 2022,

Volume One, Appendix, commencing at page 1 of 168), to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

[HB 19.](#)

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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Referred to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

[HR 8.](#)

By Representatives Mitchell of the 88th and Hugley of the 141st:

A RESOLUTION encouraging the Administration of President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. to publish without delay the Equal Rights Amendment as the Twenty-eighth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HR 9.](#)

By Representatives Bazemore of the 69th, Hugley of the 141st, Beverly of the 143rd, Bennett of the 94th, and Park of the 107th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Georgia Department of Transportation to study safety and accidents relating to vehicle merging and to consider installing yield signs upon certain merging roadways; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION